RE: CG Docket No. 03-123

Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

445 Twelfth Street SW

Washington, DC 20554

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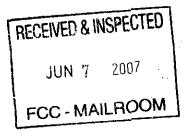
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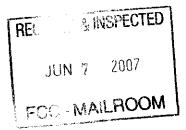
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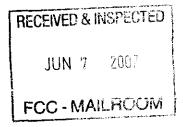
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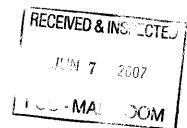
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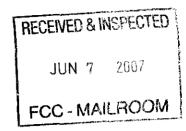
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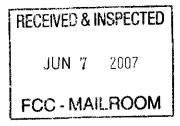
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8015 Sargent Ridge Indianapolis, IN 46256 May 30, 2007

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With access to all these services and the technology improvements, we can not help feeling appalled at the idea that the FCC staff is intent on making drastic cutbacks in services to the deaf by denying us of all these basic services, especially the younger generation.

We ask that the FCC staff reconsider the effort to make these drastic cutbacks, but, instead, make the VRS rate reasonable enough for providers to promote a more meaningful life to those of us in the deaf and hard of hearing community as well as to those of the future generation. Thank you for consideration of this request.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Jerome W. Freeman and Helen Freeman

Retired Deaf Educators and Senior Citizens at

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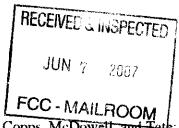
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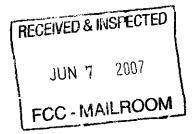
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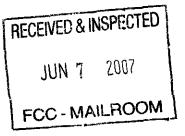
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